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## Call for the selection of six ISA Visiting Fellowships for the period January – July 2022

Application deadline: May 14th, 2021 (3:00 p.m.)

In order to foster the internationalization and interdisciplinarity of the University of Bologna, the Institute of Advanced Studies (ISA), offers **six Visiting Fellowships** for a period of one to three months to international visiting professors. The candidates must be proposed by members of the academic staff of the University of Bologna and will be organized in close collaboration with the University Departments. The Fellowship period must be continuous in order to allow for a fruitful interaction with the Institute and the students.

Please note that Fellowships assigned for the period January – July 2021, but not used due to the COVID-19 outbreak, will be reassigned – upon request – in the corresponding period in 2022 with priority over new assignments and without the need of submitting a new application.

The number of Full Fellowships offered is reduced compared to previous Calls in order to take into consideration the need of rescheduling Fellowships not used in the period January – July 2021. The number of Full Fellowships can be increased up to a maximum of 12 on the basis of reassignments.

**Art. 1** - The Visiting Fellows will receive from the Institute of Advanced Studies:

- A Contribution to be chosen between:
  - 1) a <u>lump-sum compensation</u> to cover travel, transportation, food expenses and possible visa in the gross amount of 800.00 Euros for EU residents and 1,100 Euros for non-EU residents;
  - 2) a <u>direct reimbursement</u> of duly documented <u>travel expenses</u> only (up to 800.00 Euros for EU residents and 1,100 Euros for non-EU residents).
- Accommodation (Bologna Campus): as a rule, a fully equipped apartment for two persons in the proximity of the Institute of Advanced Studies (Via Marsala 26, Bologna) and of the Rectorate.
- Accommodation (Ravenna Campus): for 1 Visiting Fellow who will carry out his activities in the
  Multicampus site of Ravenna, the accommodation and related hosting services will be provided
  according to the Agreement among the Institute of Advanced Studies, the Scuola Superiore di
  Studi sulla Città e il Territorio of the Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna and the
  Fondazione Flaminia of Ravenna with the aim to promote the international scientific mobility
  in the Campus.

The application must be completed according to the following procedure by the University of Bologna hosting academic:



- 1. access the system at <a href="https://personale.unibo.it">https://personale.unibo.it</a>
- 2. click on the "Login" button and log in with username and password
- 3. click on the box "Candidatura Visiting Professor"
- 4. select the call for "ISA Visiting Fellowship January July 2022" and follow the guided procedure.

**Art. 2** - Professors and Researchers (including "Ricercatori Senior") with a permanent active position at the Alma Mater Studiorum - University of Bologna are invited to submit to the Institute of Advanced Studies their proposals for international scholars who have an active permanent or temporary position at university or international research institution and maintain such a condition until the period of the visit in case the Fellowship will be assigned.

Applications of professors and researchers who have already been assigned a Full Fellowship or a Lodging Fellowship in the last two years are not eligible.

Their stay can last minimum 1 month and up to 2 in the period January – July 2022. The Institute of Advanced Studies Board can evaluate, on the basis of accommodation availability, the possibility of expansion of the Fellowship period up to a maximum of three months upon a motivated request of Visiting Fellows assignees of the Fellowship.

The Fellowship period must be continuative and without interruptions.

Applications must be uploaded by the University of Bologna proponent <u>no later than 3 p.m. on May</u> **14, 2021**, at the following link <a href="https://personale.unibo.it">https://personale.unibo.it</a> using academic login credentials.

The application must be uploaded online and accompanied by the following documents:

- Personal and academic information about the Visiting Fellow\*;
- II. Motivation of the proposal by the University of Bologna proponent, describing the reasons of the proposal of the Visiting Fellow and the planned activities, also in relation to the period of stay (online form);
- III. Short scientific profile of the Visiting Fellow\* (in English) for subsequent inclusion on the Institute of Advanced Studies website in case of the acceptance of the application (online form);
- IV. **Title and synopsis of the ISA lecture\*(in English)** that the Visiting Fellow will deliver at the Institute during his/her stay and other teaching activities if planned on the Degree and PhD courses of the University of Bologna (online form);
- V. **Preferred and second choice period of stay proposal** (the indicated periods will be binding when defining the periods of accommodation assignment, if required);
- VI. Lodging and/or economic contribution request;
- VII. The system will require an **explicit declaration by the Proponent** confirming receipt of the **favorable decision by the Head of Department** to host the Visiting Fellow (online form);



- VIII. A scanned copy of the Visiting Fellow's valid **Passport or ID document** (file to be uploaded);
  - IX. **Curriculum vitae et studiorum and publication list** covering the last 5 years of the Visiting Fellow (only one merged file is to be uploaded)

N.B. the online procedure does **not** allow the intermediate saving if all text fields are not filled. Make sure to have all requested documents and data when uploading your application.

At the end of the upload, the Proponent can save the proposal for possible future modification or send it directly. In this latter case, the proposal will no longer be modifiable.

If the request is approved, the information identified with \* will be uploaded to the site www.isa.unibo.it .

The proposal must be sent before the deadline indicated in this call. Proposals saved but not sent will not be considered.

**Art. 3** - Elements I, II, III, IV and IX listed in Art. 2 will be evaluated by the Institute of Advanced Studies Board, who will then select the best **six applicants**. The Institute of Advanced Studies Board is composed of academics representing all the scientific areas of the University of Bologna.

The selection criteria are the following:

the scientific excellence of the applicant 50%

(the continuity and impact of scientific activity over the last five years will be especially considered)

the relevance of an Institute of Advanced Studies residency

50%

(the extent of interdisciplinary involvement of the scientific community will be considered, as well as participation in teaching activities on University of Bologna courses; in particular, the interdisciplinary approach of proposed ISA lecture will be evaluated).

The results of the selection will be communicated at the end of the selection procedure no later than **June 29, 2021** by publication on the Portale Bandi <a href="https://bandi.unibo.it/">https://bandi.unibo.it/</a> and also by e-mail to the University of Bologna proposing Professors.

Art. 4 - Acceptance of the Fellowship must be confirmed within 10 days after receiving formal communication from the Director by sending an email to <a href="mailto:segreteria.isa@unibo.it">segreteria.isa@unibo.it</a>. If the Fellowship is not accepted or if the acceptance communication does not arrive before the deadline, the Institute of Advanced Studies Board will offer the Fellowship to the next candidate on the shortlist. Depending on financial and/or lodging availability, the Institute may offer further "lodging fellowships" (i.e. only accommodation and no financial contribution).

In the case of Visiting fellows requiring housing on a Multicampus site other than Bologna (Forlì, Cesena and Rimini), the Institute Board will evaluate the possibility of adding an extra gross amount of 400€ to the fellowship (whether with financial contribution or "lodging").

**Art. 5** – The rescheduling of visits will be possible exclusively in the reference period of this Call (January 1st, 2022 – July 31st, 2022) and depends on the effective availability of spots in the required period. It will not be possible to postpone the visit beyond July 31st, 2022, save in exceptional cases.



- **Art.6** Accreditation and registration of the Visiting Fellow at the Department, release of the personal credentials and tracking of international mobility in departments shall be performed by the administration of the proponent's Department.
- Art. 7 The Fellows' entry and residence in Italy is regulated in accordance with Italian law and local authority directives. If a visa is required, the International Desk of the University of Bologna (diri.visiting@unibo.it) will provide information and support to the Fellow and his/her Proponent in the application process to obtain the correct visa required to receive the (1) <a href="mailto:lump-sum-compensation">lump-sum-compensation</a> indicated in Art.1.
- **Art. 8** The Institute will provide injury and third-party liability insurance coverage (RCT) <u>limited</u> to the activities indicated and regulated by the contract with the ISA and that take place within the structures of the University of Bologna.

The Fellowship does not confer the right to receive social security or access national health services. Fellows are required to obtain appropriate medical, accident and civil liability insurance, as established by University regulations.

- **Art. 9** Residence periods always begin on the first working day of the month and always terminate on the last working day of the month. As a rule, stays for periods of less than three weeks are not allowed.
- **Art. 10** Welcoming and assistance upon arrival must be provided by the proponent of the Visiting Fellow. Further information about the accommodation will be sent to Fellowship assignees and to their proponents after the closing date of the Call.
- **Art. 11** The Institute of Advanced Studies guarantees accommodation to a maximum of two persons. No refund is due by the Institute if the Fellow decides to look for an alternative accommodation.
- **Art. 12** The expenses (lump-sum compensation or direct reimbursement) indicated in Art. 1 will be paid only after delivery of the Institute lecture and submission to the Institute of Advanced Studies administration office of all the duly filled and signed forms and required documents. All documents must be properly completed and delivered before departure in order to process and deliver payments. The Institute does not guarantee payment of expenses if all the required documentation is not delivered by Visiting Fellow to the Institute of Advanced Studies administration office.
- **Art. 13** This announcement will be available on the website <a href="www.isa.unibo.it">www.isa.unibo.it</a> until the closing date of the application.

The Director of the Institute of Advanced Studies

Prof. Dario Braga

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